

## Beyond Restraint

Colossians 3:1-4

The opening thought...Reality and Fantasy

Review of Chapters 1 & 2

The Text

First and Second Class Conditional

Negative and Positive Liberty

1. Seek
2. Set
3. Where does the power come from?

## Wednesday Discussion

Colossians 3:1-4

1. Have you seen the movie versions of Narnia or Lord of the Rings? Did you enjoy them? Why?
2. Is a work of fiction true or false? Explain.
3. What makes art beautiful? From where does art draw its meaning?
4. Was it necessary for Paul (as he does in other letters) to spend so much time explaining doctrine and unseen spiritual occurrences before writing about practical life? Why or why not?
5. What would be the outcome laying any other foundation, or not laying any foundation, before speaking of how to live?
6. Which is more real – Jesus as creator/redeemer/reconciler and the spiritual realm, the physical life and struggles we experience, or the glory to come? What if any of these were disregarded as real?
7. Restate verse 1 without using a first class conditional phrase?
8. What does being raised have to do with seeking above?
9. Why does Paul say seek and then set? Could he have said one without the other?
10. What are things above as compared to things that are on the earth?
11. What does it mean that our life is hidden?
12. How is Christ “our life”?